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II—Fire Funds \$3,537,041  
III—Life & Annuity Funds \$17,997,500  
Bleking Fund Account \$28,230  
\$33,970,387  
Revenue Fire Branch \$2,381,456  
Life and Annuity \$2,141,593  
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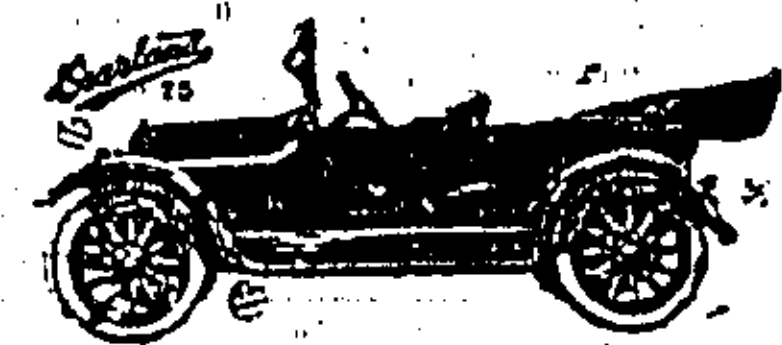
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## THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

**STARVATION SLAVERY &  
UNTOLD BRUTALITY.**

THE OCCUPIED DISTRICTS OF  
FRANCE.

APPALLING CONDITIONS.

LONDON, Feb. 2.  
Reuter has received from a trust-  
worthy Belgian citizen, who escaped to  
Valenciennes, an account of the appal-  
ling condition in the occupied districts  
of France, of which little news ever  
reaches England, which confirms that a  
highly organised system of slavery still  
exists.  
All the civilians are compelled to  
work for the Germans. Even little girls  
of twelve to fourteen years old cannot  
go to school because they must collect  
acorns and nettles, and everyone wears  
a brassard showing the town he or she  
comes from. Some wear a brassard  
round the leg, denoting that they at-  
tempted to escape.

The informant saw an old man with  
a large cross painted on his back, but  
he did not know what this signified.  
The life of these civilians is dreadful,  
but nothing compared to the war pri-  
soners, especially the English and  
Russian.

It was while the informant was  
endeavouring to give a starving Rus-  
sian a little of his own small supply  
of food that a guard knocked out his  
teeth with the butt end of a rifle.  
The informant hereupon took a hand-  
ful of natural teeth out of his pocket.  
This and his disfigured jaw formed  
eloquent proof of his statement.

WHAT "REQUISITIONING"  
MEANS.

He explained what requisitioning  
really means. As an example, domes-  
tic clocks and lamps were broken up  
for copper, mattresses were ripped  
open for wool, all sacks and spare  
clothes were seized. Everyone must  
declare every possession. People  
are dragged to prison for hiding a  
pound of potatoes or a single egg.  
Instantly the brutality, he told how  
an Alsatian absentee was murdered  
on the spot by a N.C.O. who also  
struck a woman, who remonstrated,  
with such force that she became  
deaf. A little girl of 13 was shot  
dead without warning for attempting  
to cross the Franco-Belgian frontier  
for bread. The informant, who  
possesses dates in every case,  
concluded: "Wherever you  
turn your eyes, it is the same tragedy  
of starvation, slavery and untold  
brutality."

**THE WESTERN FRONT.**

MINOR OPERATIONS.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig  
reports:—  
The West Riding successfully raided  
south-east of Monchy-le-Preux taking  
prisoners.  
The enemy raided a post north-east  
of Poelcapelle.

We drove off a party in the neigh-  
bourhood of the Ypres-Staden railway.  
Several prisoners have been captured  
on this front.  
Hostile artillery is more active at  
Eppehy, Gavrelle, and Ypres.

**THE FRENCH FRONT.**

LONDON, Feb. 3.

A French communiqué states:—  
There has been marked reciprocal  
artillery activity north of the Aisne  
in the Four de Paris region.  
Enemy corps de main on a small  
post south of Lombardes, north  
of Hill 544, on the right of the Meuse,  
north of Bures, Lorraine, and the  
Rhine-Rhône Canal region and Alsace  
said.

**THE GERMAN STRIKES.**

THE PEOPLE'S WILL TO FINISH  
THE WAR.

BLOODSHED IN BERLIN.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 3.

A pamphlet, signed by Bernstein,  
Dittman, Haase, Ledebour, and other  
Independent Socialists, indicates that  
the latter engineered the strikes as  
a "manifestation of the people's will to  
finish the war."

The bourgeois parties decided to  
oppose the socialist demand for a  
convocation of the Reichstag on the  
ground that it will encourage pacifist  
propaganda.

The Frankfurter Zeitung says the  
Government is responsible for the  
bloodshed in Berlin by ruthless sup-  
pression instead of providing means  
for the ventilation of grievances by  
the masses. The journal declares  
that the strike is extending to many  
towns and is not diminishing in  
Berlin despite the proclamation of  
martial law at seven factories where  
the strikers were ordered to resume  
work on Monday morning, otherwise  
they would be militarily punished.

**THE IRISH QUESTION.**

SIR EDWARD CARSON DEFINES  
HIS ATTITUDE.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

Sir Edward Carson had a series of  
conversations in Belfast, which was de-  
corated in his honour.

Addressing a crowd at the station  
on his arrival on Friday, Sir Edward  
said he would never abandon the  
pledges given by Ulstermen to the  
fallen in France.

Addressing the Unionist Council  
yesterday Sir Edward more precisely  
defined his attitude towards the Con-  
vention. He said that if he stayed  
in the Government he must support  
any policy it adopted, whereas he  
was not free, owing to his pledges as  
a Covenantor. The only solution  
that would satisfy Ulstermen was one  
which would enable them to feel that  
they were still citizens of the Em-  
pire, and safe against the possibility  
of harmful interference.

Sir Edward denied that Ulster was  
unreasonable. Ulster alone in  
Ireland had shown any reason at all.  
Some of his old friends and sup-  
porters, urging a settlement really  
meant a surrender. It was an insult  
to a great nation to suggest that  
America would prosecute the war  
with less vigour unless the Irish  
question was settled. Such talk was  
far from helping a settlement. It  
put men's backs up. He had not left  
the Government for the purpose of  
bursting the Convention. He did not  
want to burst the Convention more  
than burst his covenant. He was  
sorry that their attention was dis-  
tracted one moment from winning  
the war, which was their paramount  
duty.

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**ALIEN ENEMIES IN CHINA.**

Eight articles governing enemy trad-  
ing, modelled after the enemy trading  
acts of Japan and Italy and compiled by  
the Foreign Affairs Commission, were  
passed by the Chinese Cabinet at last week.  
It is expected that they will soon be  
promulgated by a Presidential Mandate.  
At the same Cabinet meeting, the  
negotiations with Sir John Jordan, the  
British Minister, on the question of the  
deportation of enemy subjects were re-  
ported upon by the Minister of Foreign  
Affairs, Mr. Lu Hsiang-shan. Mr. Lu stated  
that his suggestion of internment of the  
women and children of the enemy na-  
tions was disapproved by the British  
Government, who favour the deportation  
of all of them to Australia. All shipping  
and accommodation would be furnished  
by the Allied Powers. The meeting con-  
cluded without reaching any definite  
agreement.



## INTIMATIONS

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of Messrs. DODWELL & COMPANY, LIMITED, on TUESDAY, the 5th February, 1918, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1917.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 30th January to 5th February, 1918, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & COMPANY, LTD.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, Jan. 25, 1918.

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT  
SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL MEETING will be held at the CITY HALL on WEDNESDAY, February 6th, at 12 Noon.

Mr. T. F. HUNN will take the Chair.  
K. McKENNY,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 2, 1918.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND  
FINANCE, CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 9th February, 1918, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Reports of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th February to the 14th February (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, Jan. 25, 1918.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND  
BUILDING COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings, on SATURDAY, 9th February, 1918, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on MONDAY, 4th to SATURDAY, 9th February, 1918, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
A. SHELTON HOOPER  
Secretary to the  
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT &  
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BRADLEY & CO., LTD.,  
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## INTIMATIONS

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE,  
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"St. George's Day" 23rd April, 1918

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Should any winning ticket not be presented before noon on the 33rd October, 1918, the ticket will be cancelled, and the value will be distributed amongst War Charities by the Committee of St. George's Society of Hongkong through the medium of the Hongkong War Charities Fund Committee.

The Drawing will be in public, and the date and hour at which it will take place will be notified in due course by advertisement.

The sale of tickets will close in Hongkong on Saturday, the 15th April, 1918.

Any disputes arising will be decided by the Committee of St. George's Society of Hongkong whose decision shall be final.

The names of the members of the Committee are:—

Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK (President).

J. STRAIN, Esq. (Vice-President).

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G. S. ARCHBUTT, Esq.

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JOHN BENTLEY, Esq. (Hon. Secretary).

Tickets and Books of Tickets can be had on application at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and after a date to be announced shortly.

H. O. SANDFORD, (Hon. Treasurer),  
CHAS. BESWICK, (Hon. Secretary),  
St. George's "War Bond" Drawing.

Hongkong, Feb. 2, 1918.



## IMPORTS &amp; EXPORTS OFFICE.

## CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

THIS OFFICE will be OPEN as follows:—

SATURDAY, 9th Feb. —

Liquor & Tobacco Permits—whole day.

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SUNDAY, 10th Feb. —

Liquor Permits—till 1 p.m.

Import & Export Permits—till 1 p.m.

TUESDAY, 12th Feb. —

For all purposes—till 1 p.m.

The Office will be WHOLLY CLOSED on MONDAY, the 11th February.

D. W. TRATMAN,  
Superintendent,  
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Hongkong, Feb. 2, 1918.

## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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## THE WAR.

(Continued from Page 6.)

## SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## BOMBING GERMANY.

DETAILS OF BRITISH AIR  
RAIDS.

LONDON, Feb. 1.

The Press Bureau issues details of the raids on Germany referred to by Sir Douglas Haig on January 25. Our bombers dropped 839 lbs. of explosive on Trèves. Good bursts were seen in the northern portion and centre of the town and a large fire in the north-eastern corner.

We dropped 1,120 pounds of bombs on Thionville steelworks. All the bombs burst and large explosions occurred.

Two hundred and eighty pounds of bombs were dropped on the railway at Oberbiller, which is south-west of Trèves. The aviators machine-gunned villages in the Moselle Valley and dropped 280 lbs. of bombs on the railway station and junction at Saarburg, large explosions following. The aviators in all cases machine-gunned search-lights, trains and buildings.

Naval aircraft simultaneously dropped 1,344 lbs. of bombs on the Radiochemical and Soda-fabrik and on the dock and town of Mannheim, causing an explosion in a factory, and 1,344 lbs. on Thionville town, railway junction and factories.

The bombs were dropped from an average height of 1,500 feet. One pilot made four attempts before reaching his bombing objective.

The anti-aircraft fire was heavy, but inaccurate.

## THE LATEST AIR-RAID ON PARIS.

## OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST.

LONDON, Feb. 1.

A French official message states:—The casualties from the air raid are 45 killed, of whom 31 were killed in the city and 14 in the suburbs, including 11 women and five children, and 208 injured, of whom 131 were in the city and 76 in the suburbs.

## THE ITALIAN FRONT.

SUCCESSFUL SUDDEN THRUST  
BY ITALIANS.

LONDON, Feb. 1.

An Italian official message states:—By a sudden thrust from Monte Valbella we reached the head of the Melago Valley.  
The enemy's strong attempt to dislodge us broke down.

THE FOOD SITUATION IN  
ENGLAND.

## SERIOUS OUTLOOK.

LONDON, Feb. 1.

Speaking in London Mr. R. E. Prothero, M.V.O., Unionist member for Oxford University, said that as regards food we were now crossing the rapid and unless we pulled together we would sweep to disaster. There was only enough hay to feed working horses, house carriage and pleasure horses must be killed or put to grass. Hunters would also have to go to grass. There was an immense shortage of concentrated feeding stuff, certainly not enough to feed all the cattle in the country. Sheep must be fed solely on grass.

Lord Rhodes said the position as regards wheat might be very serious three months hence.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S MESSAGE TO  
FARMERS.THE CULMINATING CRISIS HAS  
COME.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.

President Wilson has issued a message to the farmers of the United States, now in conference at Illinois, exhorting every effort to win the war on behalf of freedom.  
He says that the culminating crisis has come and the achievements of this year, on one side or the other, must determine the issue. He promises that the Government will do its utmost to aid the farmers and concluded by stating that the record-breaking crops of 1917 must be exceeded.

INTENSIFIED EFFORTS IN  
AMERICA.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.

Measures are announced for intensifying the efforts for supplying food and troops for Europe.

A Shipping Control Committee has been established to direct all ships, American, Allied and Neutral, entering and leaving American ports. Supplies will be sent to various ports by fast through trains and railroad piers have been commandeered at which it will be possible to load twenty-five ships simultaneously instead of, as hitherto, loading from lighters. The whole of the new railway system for European supplies operates from January 31 under the National Railroad Administration.

## THE WESTERN FRONT.

SUCCESSFUL RAIDS BY  
FRENCH.

LONDON, Feb. 1.

A French communiqué states:—We carried out several successful raids in the region of Neuport and north-west of Rheims and took some prisoners.

NO CONSCRIPTION OF WEALTH IN  
THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

LONDON, Feb. 1.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, in a speech in London, said that in view of the wonderful resources of the British Empire at present and its wonderful undeveloped resources, it was easy to see that after the war we should be perfectly able to meet our liabilities. Capital in Britain was absolutely safe and talk about conscription of wealth was without foundation. Taxation of capital after the war, a moment when undreamt-of development of our trade was certain to occur, would have a most fatal effect.

## THE STRIKES IN GERMANY.

STRIKERS' COMMITTEE  
DISSOLVED.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 1.

The Military Commander of the Berlin district has dissolved the Strikers' Committee and prohibited its meeting, "as the strike movement endangers public safety."

The formation of any new association to direct the strike movement is forbidden.

A Berlin telegram speaks of excesses committed on January 1, causing the Government to take necessary measures against the extension of the strike.

The Commander at Berlin warned the population that disorders would be suppressed by all means. Participation in meetings is especially forbidden.

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## A BYE ELECTION.

## COALITIONIST RETURNED.

LONDON, Feb. 1.

In the Prestwich by-election, Lt. Cowley (Coalitionist), the son of the ex-Member, formerly Sir F. Cowley, who has been elevated to the Peerage, polled 8,520 and Mr. May, the Conservative candidate, 2,832.

SIR E. CARSON ARRIVES AT  
BELFAST.

LONDON, Feb. 1.

Sir Edward Carson received a rousing reception at Belfast. He said he had come to consult Ulster on the very serious situation.

LOCAL MAILS LOST IN THE  
"ANDANIA."

LONDON, Feb. 1.

The Press Bureau announces that the letter mails for Australia, New Zealand, China, Japan and Hongkong posted between 23rd and 25th January were lost in the Andania.

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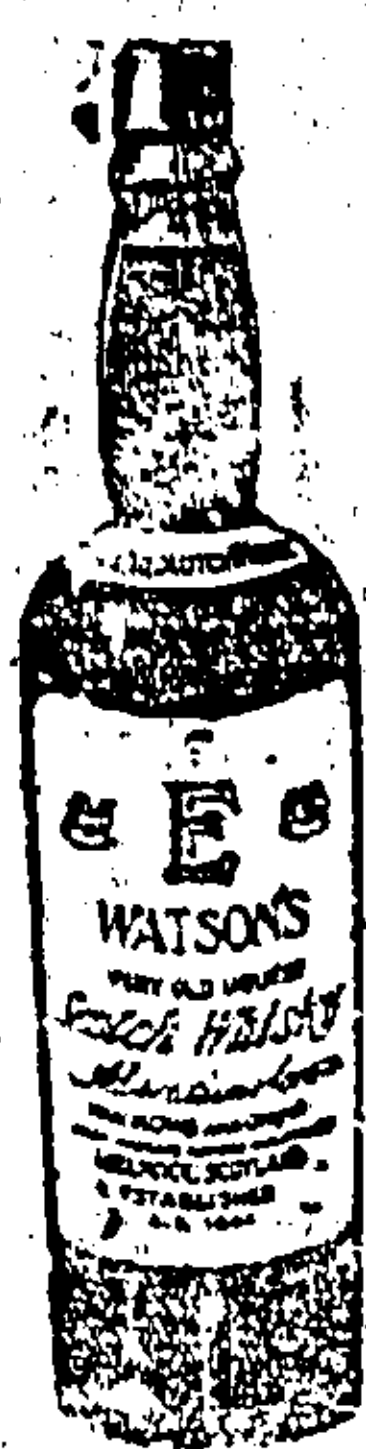
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### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS will be held at the Office  
of Messrs. JARVIS, JARVIS &  
CO., LIMITED, on THURSDAY, the  
14th February, 1918, at 10 a.m. for the  
purpose of receiving the Report of the  
Directors and the Statement of Accounts  
for the year ending 31st December, 1917.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the  
Company will be CLOSED from  
MONDAY, 11th February to THURSDAY,  
14th February, 1918, both days  
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
W. S. BROWN,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 4, 1918. 103

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### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship  
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risk into the Godowns and/or extra  
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No claim will be admitted after the  
Goods have left the Godown and Co.  
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on the 9th February, will be subject to  
rent.

All claims against the steamer must be  
presented to the undersigned on or  
before the 15th February, or they will  
not be recognized.  
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods  
are to be left in the Godowns, where  
they will be examined on the 7th  
February at 10 a.m. by the Company's  
surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.  
No insurance whatsoever has been  
effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned  
by  
JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINES,  
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### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

### THE Steamship

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having arrived from the above Ports,  
consignees of cargo by her are notified  
that all goods are being landed at their  
risk into the hazardous and/or extra  
hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong  
& Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.  
whence and/or from the Wharves  
delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 11th February,  
1918, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages  
are to be left in the Godowns, where  
they will be examined on the 9th February,  
1918, at 10 a.m.

Claims against the steamer must be  
presented in writing within ten days  
after arrival of steamer otherwise they  
will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by  
the undersigned in any case whatever.

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increasing its attractions as a holiday  
resort for people in less favoured  
parts of the Far East, and also as a  
place of residence for well-to-do  
Chinese. Another healthy sign in the  
past few years has been the increase  
in the number of Chinese industrial  
enterprises in the Colony. H.E. The  
Governor was quite justified on Saturday  
in referring to the Colony as  
"a healthy child, growing space and  
only yet in her infancy," and it is,  
therefore, well that the Government  
should be looking ahead and keeping  
an eye on the possible means of  
making provision for an adequate  
supply of pure water for the vastly  
increased population that is expected  
to inhabit the island fifteen or twenty  
years hence.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Since smallpox appeared in  
Shanghai in September there have been  
64 cases notified among the foreign  
population (which is estimated to  
number 19,735) and 177 deaths among  
Chinese (estimated population, 633,990).

The weekly religious meeting of  
the Helena Mission Institute on Tuesday  
afternoon at 5.30 o'clock will be con-  
ducted by the Rev. J. K. Macdonald,  
who will give the fourth of a series on  
Teachings of Christ with regard to daily  
life. The meeting is open to all  
women.

### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. Martin Egan, Correspondent of  
the New York Saturday Evening Post,  
is a guest at Government House.

One of the latest victims of small  
pox at Shanghai is Mr. A. L. Greig,  
who was the China Treasurer of the  
London Missionary Society. He came  
to China about twenty years ago and  
died on Wednesday last at the age  
of 50.

The friends and acquaintances of Mr.  
E. B. Reed, Land Surveyor of the  
Public Works Department, now on  
Military Service, will be pleased to learn  
that he has been promoted to the rank  
of Captain. He is in charge of a  
battalion at the front in France.

## CHINESE AFFAIRS.

["Chinese Mail" Service.]

### THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE SOUTH.

PEKING, Feb. 2.  
Wong Ka Ming and Tiao Ju Lin  
have undertaken to make all the  
necessary funds for the campaign  
against the South.

The Cabinet has decided that  
\$10,000,000 are needed for military  
expenses.

Wong Ka Ming will probably follow  
Liang Shi Yi's method of issuing  
military dollar notes, redeemable  
within a certain period.

The President and Premier have  
telegraphed to Shun Chun Huen in  
their own names giving him their  
reasons for the war mandate.

General Lung Chai Kwong has  
requested the Government to allow  
him to retain for military expenses  
the revenue collectable in conquered  
districts.

The President has decided to con-  
centrate a large army at Wuhan  
and Hankow, and proposes to release  
Yochow, in Hunan, as a measure for  
the protection of the province of  
Hupei.

### SHANGHAI SWEETSTAKE LIBEL CASE.

#### SUIT DISMISSED.

The libel suit at Shanghai in con-  
nection with the winning of the sweep-  
stake on the Champions at the Autumn  
race meeting has been dismissed, the  
Court finding that there was no re-  
flection on the plaintiff's honesty.  
In dismissing the suit, the Court  
took occasion to say that there was  
nothing to show that the plaintiff in  
the division of the proceeds of the  
winning ticket was other than abso-  
lutely honest in such transaction, and  
such is in fact the affirmative opinion  
of the Court.

## FIRES IN THE COLONY.

### A MATCHED BLAZE IN KOWLOON.

A small fire occurred in Kowloon,  
on Saturday evening in the yards of  
Messrs. Sang Lee & Company, Con-  
tractors, which is situated adjacent  
to the Kowloon Dock. A matchbox  
caught fire and for a short time  
created such a blaze as to give the  
impression to the people on the Peak  
that a large fire had broken out in  
the Docks themselves.

The brigade was quickly on the  
spot, however, and the outbreak  
quelled.

### JUNK BUILDING YARDS ABLAZE AT CHEUNG SEA WAN.

A fire broke out, yesterday after-  
noon, at Cheung Sea Wan, which is  
situated to the west of Taikokwai,  
and the Gosnell Dockyard.

The men of the Central Fire  
Station, the Central Police Station,  
Yimnail and Water-Police Stations,  
the Volunteer Fire Brigade, with one  
float and three Police launches, were  
quickly on the spot.

It was found that a range of junk  
builders' yards, together with com-  
pleted junks and a large quantity of  
shipbuilding material, houses and  
matchboxes, were well alight, causing  
the reflection to be seen from a con-  
siderable distance, and a dense  
volume of smoke drifted over the  
harbour.

Owing to the low state of the tide,  
some difficulty was experienced in  
getting the float near enough to the  
scene, but later effective assistance  
was rendered by the float.

The Fire Brigade, of which every  
available man was by that time on  
the scene, set to work to cut a lane  
in the length of the fire, on the  
inland side, and by this means the  
conflagration was confined to an area  
of about 1,000 feet long by about 200  
feet deep, thereby saving a number  
of houses further inland.

By the early hours of this morning,  
the flames had been completely  
quenched and the Fire Brigade left  
the scene, with a few men standing by.

Earlier reports stated that the fire  
was one of the biggest ever known  
in the Colony, but this does not ap-  
pear to be the case, although, of  
course, considerable damage was  
done. The idea was probably  
prompted by the fact that, since most  
of the material burned was dry wood,  
shavings and rubbish of an inflam-  
mable nature, a very big blaze  
occurred.

The outbreak is assumed to have  
originated from a cook house chim-  
ney, but this has yet to be con-  
firmed.

## CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

### CHARGE OF MURDER.

The January Criminal Sessions were  
resumed this morning, before Sir  
William Kees Davies, K.C., Chief  
Justice.

Ho Hung was brought up on two  
charges, first with murdering Lam Yik  
Chan in the office of the Po On Marine  
Insurance Company, on August 21st and  
second, with stealing certain valuable  
securities to the total value of \$5,000.

The accused pleaded not guilty.

The Attorney General presented  
Mr. E. C. Faithful, instructed by  
Mr. E. C. Faithful, defended the  
accused.

The jurymen were Messrs R. H.  
Cousins, J. H. Scott, E. Lawrie, S.  
Baker, W. E. Rose, J. F. Tavaroz, and  
A. E. Martin.

On the case the Attorney Gen-  
eral said that the story of the crime  
was shortly that about 4 a.m. on August  
21st the prisoner and two other men  
entered the premises of the Po On  
Insurance Company. They were  
admitted by an employee of the  
Company who lived on the premises,  
and went upstairs, strangled the cashier,  
and taking his keys, opened the safe  
and took about \$5,000 worth of notes.  
They then went away leaving the  
employee who had admitted them, still  
on the premises. The Chief witness  
in the case would be an accomplice  
who would tell them that the prisoner,  
with the two other men, came to him  
and they went together to the Po On  
Insurance Company on three occasions  
with the object of committing the  
crime, and on the third occasion the  
crime was actually committed.

Evidence was then taken after which  
the Court adjourned until to-morrow.

## DON'T RISK PNEUMONIA.

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Druggists.

## THE MARINE COURT OF INQUIRY.

### JUDGMENT DELIVERED IN THE "MANIPOURI" CASE.

The judgment of the Marine Court  
of Enquiry was delivered to-day, in  
the case in which Captain M. B.  
Wilson, formerly Master of the s.s.  
"Manipouri," applied for an enquiry  
into the conduct of the Chief Officer  
of that ship.

The President of the Court, Com-  
mander Beckwith, R.N., Marine  
Magistrate, read the judgment as  
follows:—

We find that the steamship "Mani-  
pouri," official No. 73229 of Shanghai,  
of whom Montagu B. Wilson, official No.  
of certificate 026599 of Liverpool was  
master, left Hongkong on a voyage to  
Saigon, and at noon on November 12  
was estimated by D.R. to be N.E. of  
Pulo Kambir some 20 miles. During  
the master's temporary absence from  
the bridge for fifteen minutes the Chief  
Officer sighted discoloured water and altered  
course to S.E. After doing so he took  
no steps to inform the master at the time,  
nor did he enter this alteration of  
course in the rough log, both of which  
it was his duty to do.

At 1.30 p.m. the master returned to  
the Bridge from dinner and the Chief  
Officer and Second Officer then alleged  
that he appeared to be under the  
influence of liquor. The Court can find  
no evidence of this in the actions of the  
master. Up to 4 p.m. the navigation  
of the ship was carried out to make the  
land in the usual way, and when the  
land was sighted the course was altered  
as necessary and a cast of the lead  
taken. The Court are satisfied that the  
master actually gave the orders for the  
cast of lead.

At 4 p.m. the ship was brought up to  
the wind N.E., the engines put to slow  
by order of the master. From 4 to  
6 p.m. the Chief Officer was in charge  
of the watch and he alleged that the  
Master became more and more drunk;  
that some time before 6 p.m. he, the  
Chief Officer, saw a large steamer  
painted lead colour, high in the water  
with her propeller well out of the water  
crossing the bow from starboard to port  
and that he asked the master's permission  
and that he asked to clear her, which was  
eventually given. The Master denies  
this or that he ever saw the ship. This  
is borne out by Mrs. Wilson's evidence  
who was on bridge and saw the steamer  
when she passed on the port side.  
(But said Captain Wilson was not  
there). The Court cannot understand  
why the Chief Officer in charge of  
the watch should have considered  
it necessary to ask the Master's per-  
mission to port in order to clear a steamer  
that it was obviously his duty to give  
way to as officer of the watch. So that  
up to 6 p.m. it seems to the Court that  
there was nothing abnormal in the  
Master's behaviour. From 6 to 8 p.m.  
there is a considerable discrepancy in  
the times given in the various evidence  
by the Master, Mrs. Wilson, Chief  
Officer and Second Officer. But some-  
time between 6.30 p.m. and 7.45 p.m.  
a white light was reported by the  
Second Officer to the Master who,  
according to the evidence, walked across  
the deck from starboard to port and  
had this light pointed out to him.  
The Master then told the Second Officer  
to go below for a spell. Shortly after  
this the Chief Officer rushed up on the  
bridge as the result of being urgently  
requested to do so by the Second Officer  
and reported a white and green light  
on port bow, saying at the same time,  
"She will crash into us." The Master  
answered, "No, it is a stern light," and  
ordered the helm to be starboarded.

The Court consider this order was  
quite unnecessary. Before this order  
could have been carried out, the Chief  
Officer rushed to the wheel and  
put it hard astern, and then sent  
for the Second Officer, who when he  
arrived on the bridge was told to keep  
the helm hard astern. The Chief Officer  
then rang up full speed ahead to the engines. The Court  
are of opinion that this action by the  
Chief Officer of putting across a  
steamer which he estimated as between  
200 and 300 yards showing white  
and green light three points on port  
bow was wrong, as it would bring the  
"Manipouri" broadside on to the crossing  
ship, the worst possible position for a  
collision which was then inevitable if  
this steamer was showing a white and  
green light and was the distance of  
as sworn to by defendant. The only  
proper thing then to do was to go full  
speed astern. After taking charge  
of the ship out of the Master's hands,  
defendant swung the ship round through  
S.S.W. and steamed on W.N.W. and it  
appears that the ship was steered on  
this course steaming slow for some  
considerable time probably about 2 hours  
unwatched and running towards the  
land, and it was only when the master  
again with the consent of defendant  
charged that the mistake in the  
course was discovered, and the course  
was then altered by the Master to N.E.  
at about 8.45 p.m.

Now when the ship was heading  
S.W. the Second Officer saw the  
steamer light which caused all the  
trouble bearing in the port  
quarter, that is still practically bearing  
N.E., so the court are of opinion that  
the lights seen were those of a steamer  
borne to and perhaps yawing off astern to  
the wind. So that in that case her  
stern light would have been as visible  
to the "Manipouri." One question now  
arises:—Was the defendant justified  
in his action in taking the ship out of  
the Master's hands in the manner in  
which he did on November 12th?

Mr. Major in his evidence stated that  
he was greatly exercised in his mind  
during November 12, by the undisciplined  
state of the Master, and the dangerous  
position of the ship. The Court can  
hardly understand this, as Mr. Major

seems to have had a considerable voice  
generally in the navigation of the  
ship, heretofore, and it would seem a  
simple matter for him to have discussed  
the situation with the Master and then,  
if satisfied that the Master was incapable  
of understanding and the safety of the  
ship was threatened, decided action  
should have been taken by the  
Chief Officer with all the other officers,  
and the Master placed below by force  
or otherwise as necessary.

The ship then should have been  
navigated by the Chief Officer into  
Saigon and the matter at once reported  
to the British Consul there, a full report  
being written in the official log and  
signed. We therefore consider that for  
the reason given Mr. Major's action was  
not justified. The defendant alleges  
that the Master was still drunk at the  
time he took charge of the ship, and  
calls the Second Officer and Chief  
Engineer to corroborate this charge.  
Now the Chief Engineer had not seen  
the Master during the day there-  
abouts. When he came on the  
bridge at the request of the Chief  
Officer at watch time the Master was  
very excited by the action of the Chief  
Officer, so that the Court are of opinion  
that the Chief Engineer's evidence is  
naturally prejudiced by the state of  
excitement in which he found the  
Master to be. The Second Officer would  
seem to be uncertain in his mind  
between the time of signing the  
report written to the  
owners by the Chief Officer and the 8th  
January when he signed a contrary  
statement, as to whether the Master on  
the 12th of November was under  
the influence of drink or only  
highly excited. So the Court are  
not satisfied that on November  
12 the Master was unfit for  
duty.

Now we come to the conduct of the  
Master after what happened on the  
12th November between 6.30 p.m. and  
8.45. The ship had been taken out of  
his hands by the defendant and his  
order countermanded. Yet there is  
no entry in the official log. No report  
is made to the British Consul or to his  
owners, and the incident is allowed over  
as if it were an every day occurrence.

In justification of this (the Master)  
pleads that Mr. Major was an ex-  
cellent officer of long experience, and  
that up to this there had been no  
friction between them, and that when  
angry he had called defendant hard  
names.

Taking all this into consideration we  
are strongly of opinion that the Master's  
conduct after the trouble was over,  
was contemptible and detrimental to  
all good order and discipline, and taking  
also into consideration all the  
circumstances of the case and Mr.  
Major's previous blameless record ex-  
tending over some 30 odd years we  
dismiss the case against him with a  
severe caution.

The report is signed by C. W. Beck-  
with, Deputy Marine Magistrate, and  
President of the Court, and F. Gibson,  
R.N. Commander of H.M.S. "Tamar,"  
W. Davidson, Master British s.s. "Em-  
press of Asia," T. A. Wicheil, Master  
s.s. "Chipping," R. A. Birs, Master,  
British s.s. "Taishan."

## SHIPPING PROBLEMS.

### NEW COUNCIL OF EXPERTS FORMED.

#### TO CONTROL COMMERCIAL AND NAVAL CONSTRUCTION.

The Admiralty announced that the  
formation of a Shipbuilding Council has  
been approved under the Chairmanship  
of the Admiralty Controller. On this  
Council representatives of the shipbuilding  
and engineering trades will be joined  
by officers of the Admiralty, and prob-  
lems of Naval and commercial ship-  
building and repair will be considered.

The Council differs from the Shipbuilding  
Advisory Committee by the inclusion  
of Naval shipbuilding in its purview,  
and by being relieved from certain  
executive functions in the placing and  
following up of contracts which have been  
undertaken by the Admiralty Controller  
and Director of Contracts.

All the gentlemen who served on the  
Shipbuilding Advisory Committee, and  
who have not since joined the staff of  
the Controller's Department, have al-  
ready consented to serve on the Council,  
and the full list will be published  
shortly.

The names of those gentlemen who  
have already notified their willingness  
to serve on the body are:—  
Mr. W. S. Abell, Chief Surveyor of  
Lloyds.  
Sir George Carter, K.B.E., managing  
director of Messrs. armall, Laird  
and Co.  
Mr. F. C. Henderson, of Messrs. D.  
and W. Henderson, shipbuilders,  
Glasgow.  
Mr. James Marr, of Messrs. J. L.  
Thompson & Co., shipbuilders, Sun-  
derland.

Mr. A. C. Ross, director of Messrs.  
Hawthorn, Leslie and Co.  
Mr. R. B. Rowell, Chairman of Messrs.  
Hawthorn, Leslie and Co.

Other prominent members of the ship-  
building and engineering trades who  
have joined the Controller's Department  
and who will attend meetings of the  
Council when matters affecting them are  
discussed are:—

Major Maurice Denny, partner of  
Denny Bros. of Dumbarton.  
Mr. G. E. F. Edwards, director of  
Sunderland Dock Company, Sunderland.  
Mr. H. M. Grayson, of H. and G. Gray-  
son, Limited.  
Major J. W. Hamilton, chairman of  
W. Hamilton and Co.  
Lieut.-Colonel J. L. Lathrop, senior part-  
ner of Messrs. Russell and Co.  
Lieut.-Colonel J. Mitchell Moncrieff,  
M.I.C.E.  
Mr. Noel E. Peck, director of Messrs.  
Barnard, Curle and Co., ex-vice-  
president Shipbuilding Employers'  
Federation, ex-chairman, Clyde  
Shipbuilders' Association.  
Mr. A. W. Simpson, late director of  
Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engi-  
neering Company.  
Mr. W. Down Thompson, senior partner  
of Messrs. David Rowan and Co.,  
ex-chairman, North-West Engi-  
neers' Association.

## THE MIROVITCH-PIASTRO CONCERT.

There was a good and appreciative  
audience at the Theatre Royal, on  
Saturday night when Mr. A. Mirovitch  
and Mr. M. Piastro gave the first of  
their two concerts.

Messrs. Mirovitch and Piastro are not  
strangers to the Colony and to say that  
both are well over the line between  
high professionalism and genius is to  
repeat a truism of which many music  
lovers in the Colony are already well  
aware.

The items on the programme on  
Saturday night were all well known  
"show" works and they were executed  
in a manner beyond praise. The  
performance was only marred by the  
inadequacy of the piano to meet the  
demands of a pianist of Mr. Mirovitch's  
attainments, and in some of the heavier  
passages the player had to rather  
force the chords or order to bring out  
anything like the majestic melody they  
contain when played on a full sized  
instrument. However, Mr. Mirovitch  
was able to display his marvellous tech-  
nique and wonderful expressive abilities  
in the lighter passages, his phrasing and  
colouring being everything that could be  
desired and he was greeted with almost  
an ovation after each selection.

Mr. Piastro displayed equal mastery  
of his violin, his double bowing, double  
stopping and especially his double  
stopping in harmonics being marvel-  
lously pure and true, bringing out the  
notes as if played on the open string.  
He displayed a wonderful control of  
his instrument in Sarasate's "Zapa-  
teado" with its striking pizzicato  
passages, harmonics and cadenzas and  
in adagio passages of the other items his  
tone was rich and full of body and he  
aroused an enraptured audience to the  
highest pitch of enthusiasm.

It is safe to predict that the majority  
of Saturday night's audience will be  
present on Thursday next, so those  
who have not yet heard this gifted pair  
should book early to avoid disappoint-  
ment.

The programme was as follows:—

Part I. 1.—Sonata A. Major, Cesar  
Franck.

2.—Concerto D. Major, Paganini  
Wilhelm.

M. PIASTRO.

3.—(a) Ballade G. Minor, (b) Scherzo  
B flat Minor Chopin.

Part II. 4.—(a) Nocturne D. Minor  
Chopin-Wilhelm, (b) Zapateado  
Sarasate.

M. PIASTRO.

5.—(a) Hark, Hark the Lark, (b)  
The Elking, Schubert-Liszt, (c)  
Rhapsodie No. 11, Liszt.

A. MIROVITCH.

## SHANGHAI TRADE.

Messrs. Ibbett and Co.'s Price Goods  
Market Report says:—

The up-country merchants are already  
beginning to leave for their homes in  
anticipation of the annual New Year  
holidays, there being little business to  
obtain them here. The market neverthe-  
less is steady to firm all round, a slightly  
improved demand being supplemented  
by speculative purchases which should  
undoubtedly prove profitable to the  
investors if some solution of the difficulties  
of the country can be found during the  
coming holiday interval. Native finances  
are easier than they have been for some  
time and conditions generally are ripe  
for a healthy business as soon as the  
country settles down.

Trade on the Yangtze above Hankow  
is practically suspended owing to the  
repeated outrages committed by native  
troops on ships flying the British and  
American flags. The political aspect of  
the question need not be touched upon in  
a commercial report but it is of vital  
importance to British trade that peaceful  
shipping should be allowed to pass un-  
molested along the only possible route  
to Central China and Szechuen where  
such important quantities of British  
goods are consumed.

## HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkins,  
D.S.P. (R.).

### SPECIAL SERVICE SQUAD.

The Deputy Superintendent requires  
50 men for immediate service in the  
above Squad, which is distinct from the  
Special Service Staff existing under  
Departmental Order 124.  
Members of the Police Reserve Force  
are asked to attend at Headquarters  
Club at 8 p.m. as indicated below, but  
are informed that attendance is optional.  
Wednesday, February 6.—No. 1 Com-  
pany.  
Thursday, February 7.—No. 1 Com-  
pany and Mounted Police.  
Friday, February 8.—No. 3 Company  
and Ambulance Engine and Drummer.

MEMEN.  
All ranks (except those on duty) will  
parade in Camouflage, Road opposite  
Queen's Statue Square, at 6.30 p.m. on  
Tuesday,



## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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## SUBMARINE WARFARE.

## SATISFACTORY STATEMENT BY SIR ERIC GEDDES.

LONDON, Feb. 2. Sir Eric Geddes, First Lord of the Admiralty, interviewed by the Associated Press on the expiry of the first year of unrestricted submarine warfare, said: "The submarine is held. The sinkings were now reduced to a level below that when Germany threw off all restraint, and he thought that we were now sinking submarines as fast as Germany can build them. The Admiralty could not force any change except for the better, but we must have more ships in order to turn the enemy's failure into a positive Allied victory, because the destruction of merchantmen still exceeded the construction, and tonnage demands were increasing by leaps and bounds. Before the end of 1918 we should be building shipping of all kinds at a rate of more than double that of our record pre-war year. Much depended on American ship-building efforts. He hoped America's efforts would be a contribution worthy of the great cause.

Referring to the tables of "curves" which are published from time to time, Sir Eric said all the curves were bending in the right direction, and added: "The destruction of Allied shipping decreases steadily, the construction of merchantmen increases steadily, and the sinking of submarines steadily rises."

Sir Eric Geddes explained another "curve," namely, the factor of exaggeration in the German statement of sinkings. In the early months of unrestricted warfare the margin of exaggeration was fairly small, but with the lessening of enemy successes last July, August and September the German exaggerations began to increase and were continuing to increase, thereby indicating a fairly accurate reflection of the German official confession of their measure of failure.

Referring to the United States' War Secretary's warning about a concentration of submarines against the American transports, Sir Eric said there may probably be heavy losses, as life-saving in the middle of the Atlantic is not easy, if we were to transport numbers of American troops, but there was no evidence that the Germans were at present withdrawing U-boats in preparation. All the evidence showed that there were as many submarines now operating as ever. The decreased losses were due to the steady improvement in the Allies' anti-submarine methods. "They get fewer chances and meet disaster more frequently."

Our policy of secrecy with regard to U-boat losses was one of the chief causes of the steady deterioration of the German crews. Even the commanders of the submarines are not what they used to be. Brave, capable commanders to-day were the exceptions, and the average submarine is in no way equal in efficiency to the U-boat of a year ago.

## THE WESTERN FRONT.

## ENEMY RAID REPULSED.

LONDON, Feb. 2. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: "The enemy raided a post in the neighbourhood of the Ypres-Staden Railway. A few of our men are missing. We beat off an attempt westward of Gheluvelt. We captured 171 prisoners in January. Our aeroplanes bombed an aerodrome at Thiel and a dump at Courtrai."

## LIVERPOOL REGIMENT'S SUCCESSFUL RAID.

LONDON, Feb. 2. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: "The Liverpool regiment successfully carried out a raid south-eastward of Arras and brought back prisoners. A hostile raid northward of Passchendaele was repulsed."

## NAVAL AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Feb. 2. The Admiralty announces: "Naval aircraft on Wednesday bombed an aerodrome at Ost cap, directly hitting a hangar and sheds and causing fires. We brought down one enemy machine out of control. During patrols we brought down one and shot down two enemy machines out of control. One of our machines is missing."

## THE AIR-RAIDS.

## OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST.

LONDON, Feb. 2. The Press Bureau announces: "In Monday's air raid the casualties in all the districts were—Killed, 58, and injured, 173, of whom 30 were killed and 91 injured in one building, used as an air raid shelter. It is possible that a few more bodies may be found under the debris of the building, as four persons of this district are missing. The total casualties in Tuesday's raid were—Killed 10 and injured 10."

## AIR DEFENCES OF PARIS TO BE INCREASED.

PARIS, Feb. 2. Le Temps reports that a conference was held between the Premier and the Under-Secretary for Aviation, and it was decided to increase the aeroplanes defending Paris, and to provide anti-aircraft batteries similar to those of London.

## THE STRIKES IN GERMANY.

## STRIKERS ERECT BARRICADES IN BERLIN STREETS.

## CROWDS WANT PEACE AND BREAD.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 2. The Tjg of February 1, learns from a reliable source that in Berlin a crowd marched yesterday afternoon to the Charlottenburg with cries for peace and bread. The police charged, whereupon the strikers erected barricades, using overturned trams. They fired and hurled projectiles at the police. Thirty wounded strikers were removed to the hospitals. There were numerous arrests and house searches were made. Reliable detachments of cavalry and machine-gunners have collected in the neighbourhood of Berlin.

## EXTENSIVE TURBULENCES REPORTED.

The latest Berlin newspapers of the 1st inst. report extensive disturbances over a large area. In the capital the solitary exceptions were Unter-den-Linden and Schloss Platz, where the papers significantly remark, were empty. The worst disorders occurred in the Moabit, where crowds of strikers tried to overturn trams. The police intervened, but encountered resistance and collisions occurred.

There were similar stormy scenes in north and east Berlin. Youths and girls held the streets and attacked the tramways, interrupting the traffic. The city tram service was suspended at noon. The strikers in some parts severed the electric wires in order to prevent workmen using the cars in order to go to the shift.

Fights are reported in outside factories between strikers and non-strikers.

## SOCIALIST ARRESTED.

The Independent Socialist, Herr Dittmann, has been arrested for attempting to address a meeting in a suburb of Berlin.

The feverish anti-strike propaganda includes an officially supplied story, published in all the newspapers in Germany, that an Entente Propaganda Committee, with a hundred million marks of American money, has been formed with the object of revolutionising Germany and Austria and is employing numerous agents in Germany, especially in the armament industry, to incite sabotage, etc. It asserts that the committee includes Senator Stone, Lord Northcliffe and Lord Reading.

The Forwards reports that the General Committee of the Trade Unions is unanimously sympathetic towards the strikers.

## A SEMI-OFFICIAL MESSAGE.

A semi-official message from Berlin on February 1, declares that the strike has passed its zenith. It minimises the day's occurrences in Berlin. Traffic conditions are improving and work is being resumed at Hamburg, Kiel and the coal-fields, while Krupp is in full swing.

## TO ARREST INTERNATIONAL BUTCHERY.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 2. One of the leaflets distributed broadcast by the strikers in Berlin says the only way to overthrow the Government and the bourgeoisie is by the establishment of a Democratic Republic, which will arrest the international butchery and result in a general peace.

## REAPPEARANCE OF THE "FORWARDS."

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 2. The Forwards reappeared on the 1st inst.

## GENERAL STRIKE IN HOLLAND TO BE CALLED.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 2. The Dutch Revolutionary Socialists have resolved to call a general strike on Monday and demand the Government to seize all foodstuffs in the country and to distribute them equally to the population.

## ALLIED AIRMEN DROP LEAFLETS FOR GERMANS.

HAVRE, Feb. 2. Belgian soldiers from the Front state that since January 10th Allied aviators were constantly flying over the German lines, dropping thousands of booklets containing the text of President Wilson's peace proposals, printed in German.

## TWO BRITISH AIRMEN SENTENCED BY GERMANS.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 2. The Tjg Zeitung states that two British airmen, Lieutenant Scholte and Lieutenant Wooley, who were shot down at Cambrai on October 17th, have been sentenced to ten years' penal servitude by a German Military Tribunal for dropping "enemy leaflets."

## THE SINKING OF THE "GIRALDA."

## OFFICERS ROBBED.

LONDON, Feb. 2. The Daily Mail Correspondent at Seville reports that the crew of the Giralda state that when stopped by a submarine on January 26th the Giralda's chief officer was ordered on board the submarine whose commander whisked asking whether or not he should sink the ship. He received the reply "Yes," presumably from the German Embassy at Madrid. The submarine crew then boarded the Giralda and robbed the officers and bombed the ship.

## RUSSIA.

## SOVIET TROOPS OCCUPY KIEFF.

## PETROGRAD, Feb. 1.

The Maximalist Agency confirms that the Soviet troops occupy Kieff and have captured the arsenal.

Three Ukrainian Regiments with artillery joined up with the Soviets, the whole carrying out a fight. The Soviet troops captured Orenburg. General Dutov's Cossacks are fleeing and General Dutov escaped.

## BREST-LITOVSK NEGOTIATIONS ADJOURNED.

## LONDON, Feb. 1.

A German message states that Dr. von Kuehlmann has agreed to an adjournment at Brest-Litovsk to consider the question of the two Ukrainian bodies claiming to represent Ukraine.

## RUSSIAN FUNDS ABROAD.

## LONDON, Feb. 2.

The Times' Petrograd Correspondent says:

The Bolsheviks are determined to get possession of the funds of the Russian Government abroad by prohibiting British and other foreign Embassies and Consulates to touch their deposits in the Russian banks.

## POLISH LEGIONARIES OCCUPY ROGATCHEFF.

## PETROGRAD, Feb. 1.

Twenty-six thousand Polish Legionaries, commanded by Polish generals, occupied Rogatcheff, upon which the Provincial Soviet demanded evacuation and submission of the Polish Staff, intimating that the fate of a number of Polish land-owners, members of the Cadet Party and others who are hostages depended upon their compliance.

## A SECRET TREATY BETWEEN TURKEY AND CENTRAL POWERS.

## LONDON, Feb. 3.

Mr. G. H. Roberts, Minister of Labour, in an interview stated that there were the very best reasons to believe that, as a result of the Kaiser's visit to Constantinople, the four Central Powers had agreed to a secret treaty providing:

First, Turkey shall retain all territories which were in her hands before the war and shall remain an absolutely free State.

Second, that Austria, Germany and Bulgaria shall do their best to recover, on behalf of Turkey, the provinces of the Ottoman Dominions which have been captured during the war.

Third, the Sultan of Turkey shall retain the title of Khalif.

Fourth, Armenia and Armenia shall be dealt with as Turkey thinks fit.

## THE AIR-RAID ON LONDON.

## LONDON, Feb. 1.

An official report states: "The casualties resulting from the air raid cabled yesterday morning were 45 killed, of whom 31 occurred in the city and 14 in the suburbs, including 11 women and five children. Two hundred and seven were injured, of whom 131 were in the city and 76 in the suburbs."

## C.P.R. LINER SUNK IN COLLISION.

## LONDON, Feb. 2.

The Canadian Pacific liner Montreal has been sunk in a collision. The crew were rescued by destroyers.

## THE QUEENSLAND FLOODS.

## MACKAY ALMOST UNRECOGNISABLE.

BRISBANE, Feb. 2. Mackay is almost unrecognisable. Scarcely a building escaped and many are in ruins. Nineteen bodies have been recovered. The mortality is less than was feared. The rivers are again rising.

## A BRITISH AND FRENCH BANKING AMALGAMATION.

## LONDON, Feb. 2.

A provisional agreement has been concluded for the amalgamation of the London County and Westminster and Paris Banks, whose aggregate deposits are £210,899,269.

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## BRITISH GRIT WILL WIN.

## SIR W. ROBERTSON AND LORD DERBY ON WAR OUTLOOK.

"I am convinced that the issue of this war largely depends upon staying power—that is, upon grit and determination. People of the British Empire have often in the past proved that they possess these qualities to a degree second to none. I firmly believe that they still possess them, and therefore I remain confident that victory will be ours."

This is General Sir Wm. Robertson's new year message to members of the Overseas Club, published in the Christmas number of "Overseas."

"Although once again winter has come round to find us still at war," says Lord Derby, "it also finds us with an Army unimpaired in strength and of the highest moral; whilst on the other hand there are evident signs that the reverse is the case with our enemies."

"Let us look forward, therefore, with confidence to this being the last winter we shall pass with the black cloud of war over our heads, and that next year may give us peace, which shall be an unbroken one for many generations."

## THE ELLIS KADOORIE SCHOOL.

## ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The annual prize distribution of the Ellis Kadoorie School took place to-day at noon.

The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., distributed the prizes and with him, on the rostrum of the School Hall, were Sir Ellis Kadoorie, Mr. R. E. O. Bird (Headmaster), the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak and Mr. E. Ralphs (Inspector of Schools).

There were also present a number of the parents and friends of the pupils and also the pupils of the school.

The ceremonies were opened by the Headmaster reading the Report as follows:—

## THE REPORT.

The school has now been in the hands of the Government for three years and one year has seen a rise both in the standard of the work and the numbers of the school. Our efforts have been directed, as usual, first of all towards the attainment of a sound practical knowledge of colloquial English. (We have effected this by training the boys to recite dialogues and short scenes, which were written in every case except one, by the masters of the school.)

This has taught the boys to speak distinctly and with expression and the result has been remarkably gratifying. The boys recite these dialogues with evident pleasure. Some of the titles are Street Cries; Kidnapping; Scene at a Chinese Court; etc. Another method adopted to improve the English of the school is the blackboard system affixed to the walls of the basement and every day items of the most important news are written up there both in English and Chinese, and these form the basis of a colloquial lesson in the upper classes.

English and Chinese newspapers are also put up in the basement to encourage a knowledge of everyday matters. Moreover, every master gives in turn a model lesson in the hall to a large number of boys. In this way the best method of teaching are seen and these lessons are a source of instruction and not only to the boys but to many of the less experienced masters. The maximum enrolment was 429. This compares favourably with the maximum enrolment of last year 404 and an average attendance of 392.

The school has lost the services of Mr. Mycock who has gone to the front. The staff has suffered severely from the war or the claims of other schools. Out of the first 8 masters on the 1915 estimate the school now possesses only 3 of similar grades. Although in so many cases masters of lower grades have been substituted, the work throughout the school has been good and I have every pleasure in thanking the staff for their loyal co-operation.

Mr. B. James took Mr. Mycock's place in March. His class is up to a high standard and specialises in exchange problems and general knowledge. We owe the illustration of the year book to our walls to his initiation.

Mr. Cheng Kai-fu has been in charge of the library and reading room and the results of his work are very gratifying. The papers worked, English and Chinese, are used being read out during the school hours by about 50 boys. Mr. Lam Kwan Shan supervises the school Botanical Department and surroundings are a pleasure for his work. In this there is an educational value. We have not only attended to the mental welfare of the scholars, but have also borne in mind the remark of Professor Tyndall "Imagine Hercules as a carman in a rotten boat; what can he do there but by the very force of his craft? Take care, then, of the mind of the boy."

We have taken care of them. Drill has been carried on regularly when it has been cool enough. This has been combined with sufficient instruction in "Physiology and Hygiene to make the boys realise the value of the work. We have encouraged swimming as much as possible. We had six full day swimming parties and several half day trips, in addition to visits to Telegraph Bay and Kennedy Town. We won the Junior Team Relay Race in the Hong Kong Amateur Athletic Federation sports, obtaining thereby the right to put our names first on this fine shield generously presented by Mr. Ho Kwong to the Federation. We also won first place in the fifty yards relay race. Volley Ball we won the Volley Ball Junior League for the Spring Season 1917. The Volley Ball courts above the school, lately completed by the P.W.D. will be much used and appreciated. The Art Department is in a flourishing state and there has been keen competition for the prizes which have been before your eyes. Several of the boys have taken lessons in drawing out of school hours. When the Devil Whispers behind the leaves it is pretty, but is it art? I think we may confidently answer: "Yes, it is."

We thank the Chinese Chamber of Commerce for sending us the Spring Festival. They are always unsolicited and explained to the boys. We beg to thank Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, the Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital for their donations and Yung Wah & Co. for kindly presenting several prizes to the school. We also beg to thank the management of the Victoria Theatre for giving us a Cinema Entertainment, combining education and amusement. This year for the first time a Lugard Scholarship has been given to an Ellis Kadoorie School boy in Class 3 Queen's College. The examination is held at Christmas and is conducted by Queen's College. It has resulted this year in Kwong Chai Ping being appointed Lugard Scholar for Ellis Kadoorie School. In conclusion, we beg to offer our cordial congratulations to Sir Ellis Kadoorie, the generous donor of the school, on his knighthood. Every boy here has a very special reason to congratulate him, and thank him and I hope he will do so.

## SCHOLARSHIP LIST.

## SCHOLARSHIPS 1917.

Lugard Scholar, Kwong Chai Ping.

Free Scholarship, Kwong Chai Ping.

Lam U Chuen, Lau Man Kai, Yik Kai Chuen.

Tai Yau Scholarship, Chan Ki Pan.

Lau Chu Pak Scholarship, Sung Shun Kien.

Ho Kam Tong Scholarship, (Senior), Li Ho Nang.

Ho Kam Tong Scholarship, (Junior), Pun Shio Pang.

Chan Sai Ming Scholarship, Ng Shing Fui.

Half Free Scholarships to Queen's College, Chuen Yek Lau, Kwan Shu Fui.

## THE PRIZE LIST.

Class 1—Kwong Yuet Kwong.

Free Scholarship to Class 4 Chuen Ching Sing.

Class 1—Cheng Hing Yan.

Class 1—Tony Si Chen.

Class 1—Wai Kwun Lun, 2, Pun Kam Tau.

Free Scholarship to Class 2—Wong Man Kwong, 1, Lo Yik Lam.

Class 1—Kwan Wan Wai, 2, Ng Shing Eui.

Class 1—Hong Hon Chuen, 2, Chan Yuen Tang.

Free Scholarship to Class 6—Lam Wan Ki, 1, Ng Shing Kwan.

Class 1—Chan Wan Kai, 2, Mok Shing Kan.

Free Scholarship to Class 7—Li Yik Kwan, 1, Ip Shu Wing.

Class 1—Ho Ka Ming, 2, Mui Hing Kwong.

Class 1—Kam Wah Koi, 2, Tang Hing Wan.

Class 2A—Tang Kit, 2, Chan Chan Ming.

Class 2B—Tsu Hung Ki, 2, Ng Kwong.

Class 3—Wong Hin Wing, 2, Chan Kam Sun, 3, Lau Yung.

Class 5—Ng Kam Man, 2, Lau Chik Sang, 3, Lam Kuen Hung.

Class 1—Wong Fu Ling, 2, Ho Ka Ming, 3, Hing Hing Chuen.

Class 8—Moi Chuen Lai, 2, Li Seng Ki, 3, Li Si Chuen.

## ART PRIZES.

1, Chung Man Tak, 2, Loung Chan Wah.

The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., then distributed the scholarship certificates and the prizes after which he addressed the pupils.

The Hon. Mr. SEVERN said he was very pleased to have the honour to have been asked to give away the prizes again that year and was very pleased to find himself doing so for the third time in succession. The Report which they had heard read by the Headmaster showed that the school was making rapid progress in numbers and also has done well in the study of English and in athletics. "When the first athletic success was announced they all applauded for he thought, about two minutes. He was glad they did so because while they were progressing in their studies it was a great thing that they were able to hold their own with other schools in athletics. He was sure they must be very gratified at having with them Sir Ellis Kadoorie, the founder of the school, who so kindly presented it to the Government of Hong Kong—and also Mr. Lau Chu Pak, one of their largest benefactors. He was glad to see that these gentlemen did not lose their interest and that they appeared there at the annual prize giving. On his way to that spacious building, which could undoubtedly accommodate far more boys than were at present on the roll, with Sir Ellis Kadoorie, he was remarking on the increase in attendance and Sir Ellis Kadoorie had told him that there would, perhaps, be 1,000 boys in the school if they could get a satisfactory number of teachers. Mr. Ralphs had suggested that it would be a good thing to get lady teachers for the lower classes, and he was glad to say that they had been able to do that and that Miss Eastman had undertaken the work and she would start teaching there next term. He hoped they would give her every help.

Concluding his remarks, Mr. Severn drew the attention of the visitors to the work of the first and second prize winners in the Art Section, specimens of which would be found in the Hall. He congratulated Mr. Bird on the successful past year and wished them all a happy New Year and a prosperous school year in front of them. (Applause.)

The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak then addressed the scholars in Chinese and after cheers had been given for the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, Sir Ellis Kadoorie, the visitors and the Headmaster, the ceremonies concluded.

The total Australian casualties up to and inclusive of those published on 9th December were officially stated to number: 127,568. They comprised—Deceased, 59,708; missing, 2,061; prisoners of war, 2,941; wounded, 56,859; sick, 25,738; unspecified casualties, 270.

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## GRAND CONCERT

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(PIANO.) (VIOLIN.)

## SECOND CONCERT

THURSDAY, 7th FEBRUARY, 1918.

## PROGRAMME

## PART I.

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| 1.—Sonata G. Major           | Grig.        |
| A. MIROVITCH AND M. PIASTRO. |              |
| 2.—Ciaccona D. Minor         | Bach.        |
| M. PIASTRO.                  |              |
| 3.—Etudes Symphoniques       | Schumann.    |
| A. MIROVITCH.                |              |
| PART II.                     |              |
| 4.—(a) Canonetta             | Tchaikovsky. |
| (b) Tarentella               | Aur.         |
| M. PIASTRO.                  |              |
| 5.—(a) Barcarolle            | Eubenstein.  |
| (b) Valse Caprice            |              |
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## HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Major H. A. Morgan, Administrative Commandant.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPT.  
At Headquarters on Tuesday, 4th February, at 6 p.m. Officers and N.C.O.s of "A" and "B" Companies will attend. Other Officers and N.C.O.s may attend if they so desire. Platoon Drill will be practised.

At Headquarters, Friday, 8th February, at 8 p.m. Subject, Military Engineering.

Orders for Artillery Company by Captain J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

## PARADES.

Tuesday, 5th and Thursday, 7th inst.—Eight and Left Half Companies. All Officers and N.C.O.s. Military instruction at H.K.D.C. Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. Friday, 8th inst.—

7.30 a.m. Right Half Company. Full parade at Belcher's Battery.  
5.15 p.m. Left Half Company. Full parade at Belcher's Battery.

Orders for Engineer Company by Captain W. Russell.

1st to 4th February.  
R. L. Manning, night duty at Belcher's and Lyceum. Parades as per Roster posted at Headquarters.

Engine drivers 6 p.m.  
Electricians at 6.15 p.m.

Officers next for duty—Belcher's, 2nd Lieut. Marley, Lyceum, and 2nd Lieut. Hill, Stonecutter's, 2nd Lieut. Brown.

Men as detailed by the Company Sergeant Major, will fire at King's Park Range on Sunday, 2nd February at 9 a.m. Dress Drill order, with sidearms, pouches and rounds ammunition.

Detail of duties at Lyceum from 1st to 4th February, is posted at Headquarters.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

## PARADES.

Tuesday, 5th inst.—

4.30 p.m. Nos. 1 and 2 Platoons Annual Musketry Course. Part 3. Practices 15, 16, and 17, and 18 at King's Park Range. Dress drill order with pouches, 5.15 p.m. No. 4 Platoon, on Cricket Ground. Platoon drill, dress, drill order.

"B" Company.

THURSDAY, 7th inst.—

4.30 p.m. No. 7 Platoon, Annual Musketry Course. Part 3. Practices 13, 14, and 15, at King's Park Range. Dress drill order with pouches.

FRIDAY, 8th inst.—

5.15 p.m. Nos. 5 and 6 Platoons, on Cricket Ground. Platoon drill, dress drill order.

SATURDAY, 9th inst.—

Dress for all parades clean fatigue and fatigue.

WEDNESDAY, 6th inst.—

5.15 p.m. Drill at Headquarters. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.



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## THE CALENDAR.

## MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

11.30 a.m.—Union Waterboat Co. Annual Meeting of Shareholders.  
12 noon—Prize-giving by Rev. Mr. Claud Severn at St. Mary's School.  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Teakwood and Blackwood Furniture &c. at Messrs. Hughes & Houghton's.

## GENERAL MEMORANDA.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 6.—  
Prize-giving at Queen's College.

THURSDAY, Feb. 7.—  
9.15 p.m.—Concert at Theatre Royal by A. Minovitch and M. Piastro.

SATURDAY, Feb. 9.—  
11 a.m.—Kewell Land & Building Co. annual meeting.

11.30 a.m.—Humphreys Estate & Finance Co. Annual Meeting.

Monday, Feb. 11.—  
Chinese New Year.

Monday, Feb. 11.—  
Hongkong Jockey Club Races.

Tuesday, Feb. 12.—  
Second day of Races.

Wednesday, Feb. 13.—  
Third day of Races.

Thursday, Feb. 14.—  
Fourth day of Races.

Friday, Feb. 15.—  
Fifth day of Races.

Saturday, Feb. 16.—  
Sixth day of Races.

Sunday, Feb. 17.—  
Seventh day of Races.

Monday, Feb. 18.—  
Eighth day of Races.

Tuesday, Feb. 19.—  
Ninth day of Races.

Wednesday, Feb. 20.—  
Tenth day of Races.

Thursday, Feb. 21.—  
Eleventh day of Races.

Friday, Feb. 22.—  
Twelfth day of Races.

Saturday, Feb. 23.—  
Thirteenth day of Races.

Sunday, Feb. 24.—  
Fourteenth day of Races.

Monday, Feb. 25.—  
Fifteenth day of Races.

Tuesday, Feb. 26.—  
Sixteenth day of Races.

Wednesday, Feb. 27.—  
Seventeenth day of Races.

Thursday, Feb. 28.—  
Eighteenth day of Races.

Friday, Feb. 29.—  
Nineteenth day of Races.

Saturday, Feb. 30.—  
Twentieth day of Races.

Sunday, Feb. 31.—  
Twenty-first day of Races.

Monday, Feb. 32.—  
Twenty-second day of Races.

Tuesday, Feb. 33.—  
Twenty-third day of Races.

Wednesday, Feb. 34.—  
Twenty-fourth day of Races.

Thursday, Feb. 35.—  
Twenty-fifth day of Races.

Friday, Feb. 36.—  
Twenty-sixth day of Races.

Saturday, Feb. 37.—  
Twenty-seventh day of Races.

Sunday, Feb. 38.—  
Twenty-eighth day of Races.

Monday, Feb. 39.—  
Twenty-ninth day of Races.

Tuesday, Feb. 40.—  
Thirtieth day of Races.

Wednesday, Feb. 41.—  
Thirty-first day of Races.

Thursday, Feb. 42.—  
Thirty-second day of Races.

Friday, Feb. 43.—  
Thirty-third day of Races.

Saturday, Feb. 44.—  
Thirty-fourth day of Races.

Sunday, Feb. 45.—  
Thirty-fifth day of Races.

Monday, Feb. 46.—  
Thirty-sixth day of Races.

Tuesday, Feb. 47.—  
Thirty-seventh day of Races.

Wednesday, Feb. 48.—  
Thirty-eighth day of Races.

Thursday, Feb. 49.—  
Thirty-ninth day of Races.

Friday, Feb. 50.—  
Fortieth day of Races.

Saturday, Feb. 51.—  
Forty-first day of Races.

Sunday, Feb. 52.—  
Forty-second day of Races.

## HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

## Butcher Meat.

Beef Sirloin—Mal Lung Pa	lb.	24
Prime Out	lb.	24
Corried—Ham Ngau Yuk	lb.	23
Roast—Shiu	lb.	24
Breast—Ngau Nam	lb.	20
Soup—Tong Yuk	lb.	20
Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	lb.	24
Steak Sirloin—Ngau Lan	lb.	30
Sausages—Ngau Cheung	lb.	26
No. 1	lb.	26
Bullock's Brains—Ngau No per set	lb.	50
Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li	each 60	50
Tongue, corned—Ham Ngau Li	each 60	50
Head—Ngau Tan	each 100	10
Heart—Ngau Sam	lb.	13
Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	lb.	20
Feet—Ngau Kuek	each 10	10
Kidney—Ngau Yin	lb.	10
Tail—Ngau Mei	lb.	10
Liver—Ngau Kon	lb.	13
Tripe (unpressed)—Ngau To	lb.	16
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau Tai-tai	set	10.00
Mutton Chop—Young Pui Kwai	lb.	26
Leg—Young Pui	lb.	26
Shoulder—Young Pui	lb.	24
Saddle—Young Pui	lb.	16
Pig's Chitlings—Chu Chong per set	lb.	22
Brains—Chu No	per set	22
Feet—Chu Kuek	lb.	15
Fry—Chu Chap	lb.	15
Head—Chu Tan	each 10	20
Heart—Chu Sam	each 10	20
Kidney—Chu Yin	each 10	20
Liver—Chu Kon	lb.	30
Pork Chop—Chu Pui Kwai	lb.	26
Leg—Chu Pui	lb.	26
Loin—Chu Han Tun	lb.	26
Fat or Lard—Chu Tan	lb.	21
Sheep's Head and Feet—Young	set	60
Heart—Young Sam	each 8	8
Kidney—Young Yin	each 12	12
Liver—Young Kon	lb.	24
Sucking Pig, to order—Chu Tai	25	
Suet, Boar—Shang Ngau Yuk	20	
Mutton—Shang Young Yee	26	
Veal—Ngau Tai Yuk	20	
Sausages—Ngau Tai Cheung	No. 1	20
Lard—Chu Tan	lb.	21

## Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yu	lb.	15
Bream—Pin Yu	lb.	20
Canton Fresh Water Fish— Hoai Sin Yu	lb.	15
Carp—Li Yu	lb.	16
Catfish—Chik Yu	lb.	12
Codfish—Mun Yu	lb.	20
Croaker—Hoi Yu	lb.	20
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	lb.	16
Dab—Sha Mang Yu	lb.	23
Dace—Wong Mei Kap	lb.	10
Dog Fish—Tio To Sha	lb.	10
Eels, Oyster—Hoi Man	lb.	16
Fresh water—Tam Shui Yu	lb.	26
Yellow—Wong Sin	lb.	26
Frog—Tin Kai	lb.	22
Garoupa—Shik Pan	lb.	40
Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	lb.	18
Herrings—Tao Pak	lb.	22
Halibut—Cheng Kwan	lb.	18
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	lb.	26
Loach—Wu Yu	lb.	22
Lobster—Long Ha	lb.	22
Mackerel—Chi Yu	lb.	20
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	lb.	32
Mullet—Tao Yu	lb.	18
Oysters—Shang Ho	lb.	16
Parrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu	lb.	14
Pork—Tao Yu	lb.	20
Pike—Fa Pau Fong	lb.	16
Plaice—Pan Yu	lb.	22
Pomfret, Milt—Hak Chong	lb.	26
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	lb.	26
Prawns—Ming Ha	lb.	26
Ray—Pai Pa Sha	lb.	26
Rock Fish—Shik Kau Kung	lb.	22
Roach—Pan Yu	lb.	22
Sardine—Ma Yu	lb.	8
Shark—Sha Yu	lb.	36
Skate—Po Yu	lb.	10
Shrimps—Ha	lb.	26
Sole—Lap Yu	lb.	22
Sole—Tai Sha Yu	lb.	22
Solow—Tat Sha Yu	lb.	22
Tench—Wan Yu	lb.	22
Turbot—Tao Haq Yu	lb.	18
Turbot, small, Fresh water— Keak Yu	lb.	40